

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~.

Please REPLACE paragraph [0031] with the following paragraph:

[0031] To drive the power switching unit 160 (FIG. 1, at operation 14), the power switching unit 160 is powered by AC power and PWM-IC 165 is switched on or off to control the provision of DC power to the electronic machine 260. To be more specific, from the power supply control unit 140, the power switching unit 160 receives a control signal associated with the supply of power to the electronic machine 260, is driven by the AC power received from the AC power connection unit 100, and ~~outputs the result of a decision regarding provision or non-provision of DC power rectified by the power rectification unit 120 via an output port OUT2~~ performs switching operation for provision or non-provision of DC power rectified by the power rectification unit 120.

Please REPLACE paragraph [0033] with the following paragraph:

[0033] For example, if the computer transmits print data to the printer, and, accordingly, the power supply control unit 140 outputs the control or driving signal to the power switching unit 160, a photo transistor of a photo coupler PC1 in the ~~power switching unit 160~~ supply control unit 140 operates to render the base of a PNP transistor Q1 in a low state. Because of the characteristics of the PNP transistor Q1, its collector and its emitter conduct such that the AC power received from the AC power connection unit 100 is used as operating power of the PWM-IC 165. Due to the operation of the PWM-IC 165, a field effect transistor (FET) is switched on to supply the DC power of the primary side of the power supply to the secondary side thereof. Hence, the printer is finally supplied with logic power (e.g., +3.3V) and drive power (e.g., +30V).

Please REPLACE paragraph [0035] with the following paragraph:

[0035] On the other hand, if no print data are transmitted from the computer to the printer within a predetermined period of time after the printing operation of the printer is concluded, or if the power of the computer is turned off, the power switching unit 160 receives a control signal from the power supply control unit 140 to stop the operation of the power switching unit 160. In response to the received control signal, a photo coupler PC2 of the ~~power switching unit 160~~ power supply control unit 140 operates so that power for operating the PWM-IC 165

bypasses the PWM-IC 165 and is transmitted to a PWM enable terminal. Because the PWM-IC 165 does not receive power to operate, the FET is switched off so that the DC power is not transmitted to the secondary side of the power supply. Consequently, the DC power is not supplied to the printer.